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RESPONSE TO WRITTEN OPINION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Attn: IPEA/US

Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the Written Opinion mailed 21 May 1998, regarding the above-referenced PCT Patent Application, Applicant does not wish to make any amendments.

REMARKS

This application contains claims 1-30 pending and under consideration. No amendments to the claims have been proposed at this time.

The positive indications in the Written Opinion with regard to the industrial applicability of claims 1-30 and the novelty of claims 1-13, 17, 20-